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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
9 AT SEATTLE

10 JESSICA L. ASHBY,

11 v.
12 Petitioner,

13 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
14 Respondent.

CASE NO. C18-1655-JCC

ORDER

15 This matter comes before the Court on Petitioner's motion for a judicial recommendation
16 for transfer to home confinement (Dkt. No. 37). Petitioner is currently serving a 54-month
17 sentence imposed for a non-violent drug offense. (*See id.* at 2.) Her projected release date with
18 full credit for good conduct time is February 1, 2021. (*See id.*)

19 Petitioner asks the Court to recommend to the Bureau of Prisons that she be transferred to
20 home confinement to serve the remainder of her sentence pursuant to the Coronavirus Aid,
21 Relief, and Economic Security Act, Pub. L. No. 116-136, the Second Chance Act of 2007, and
22 18 U.S.C. § 3621. (*See generally id.*) The parties' briefing recognizes that the Bureau of Prisons
23 retains sole authority to transfer Petitioner to home confinement, (*id.* at 1–2, Dkt. No. 38 at 1–2),
24 and the Government describes the Bureau of Prisons' efforts to minimize the spread of the
25 coronavirus and to screen and transfer those inmates eligible for home confinement, (Dkt. No. 38
26 at 5–7).

The Court declines to intrude upon the Bureau of Prisons' statutory mandate to determine whether Petitioner is eligible for a transfer to home confinement. Accordingly, Petitioner's motion for a judicial recommendation for transfer to home confinement (Dkt. No. 37) is DENIED.

DATED this 12th day of May 2020.

John C. Carpenter

John C. Coughenour
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE